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## ASHLAND MANUFACTURED HOME DEALER ORDERED TO SUSPEND ALL SALES ACTIVITY Will Pay \$10,000 Penalty

JEFFERSON CITY---The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved an agreement reached between the PSC Staff, Amega Sales, Inc. (Amega) and its president Greg DeLine which requires the Ashland, Missouri manufactured home dealer to be closed for all sales business for 20 days. In addition, the dealer will pay a \$10,000 penalty to the Public School Fund.

The PSC Staff, through its Director of the Manufactured Housing and Modular Units Program, filed a complaint against Amega alleging the dealer sold a home that had a prohibitive sale notice, a violation of PSC rules. Specifically, the complaint alleged the dealer sold a home claiming it was a new home, even after the PSC's Manufactured Housing and Modular Units Program had placed a prohibitive sale notice on the home, informing Amega the home could not be sold as new.

The agreement approved by the Commission requires Amega to suspend all sales activity at its lot in Ashland for 20 days effective October 24, 2006. During this time, there is to be no contact with potential customers at the Ashland lot; Amega must post a clear notice that the Ashland lot will be closed for a specified period; and the dealer is prohibited from steering potential customers to other sales lots owned or controlled by Greg DeLine or by any of Amega's affiliates.

In addition, the agreement prohibits Amega and its affiliates from selling any new manufactured home that does not have a HUD (Housing and Urban Development) label and data plate as required by law. It also requires Amega and its affiliates to notify the PSC Manufactured Housing and Modular Units Program whenever it receives any manufactured home that does not have the HUD label that is required for the home to be sold to the consumer.